# Teachers Who Write

(the 21st annual, day-long conference on the campus of Vermont College, Montpelier)

Friday, May 9, 2008, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

proudly presents young-adult novelist

## **Doug Wilhelm**

"Revealing the Writer's Inner Child: A Right Brain/Left Brain Approach"

and singer/songwriter...

### **Anais Mitchell**

"She has the earthiness of Shawn Colvin, the child-like bite of Joanna Newsom, and the urban jumpiness of Ani DiFranco." - AllMusic.com

"a songwriter of startling clarity and depth, equally skilled at turning a melody or lyrical phrase into what you didn't know you needed until you

heard it." - Acoustic Guitar

#### ... plus a potpourri of provocative workshops (you may choose two) ...

- Kathleen Brinegar: Reading as Inquiry Strategies for Engaging Adolescents with Text
  - Sydney Copp: Impromptu Debate and Persuasive Writing •
  - Carol Glynn: Learning on Their Feet Everyday Curricula Taught Kinesthetically
    - Julia M. Hewitt: Digital Storytelling (Grades 4-12) •
    - Lisa H. Italiano: The Role of Writing in Emergent Literacy (Grades K-3)
      - Kim Jordan: Drama in the Elementary and Middle School Classroom •
      - Tony Magistrale: Composition and Revision A Writer's Workshop
        - Suzanne Rexford-Winston: Building a Painting Word by Word!
          - Heidi Ringer: Quickwriting Just 7 Minutes a Day •
        - Doug Wilhelm: Brainstormers Prewriting that Draws Sparks •

#### A book display will be offered throughout the day

Registration: \$75, includes morning refreshments and a simple lunch

(Special Rate for Retired Teachers and Full-time Education Students: \$45)

Registration Deadline: May 2 (After May 2, call 828-3114 to ask if space is available)

Sponsored by the Vermont Council of Teachers of English Language Arts,

the National Writing Project in Vermont,

and the Vermont State Department of Education

Further details are on registration form: see reverse of this page, or call (802) 828-3114

Comments from last year's Teachers Who Write:

- "This is my favorite conference of the year! I wait for it and it's wonderful!" -Sylvia Fagin, Main Street
  Middle School
- "Consistently rigorous and thought-provoking, Teachers Who Write could teach a thing or two to other gatherings in the academic conference calendar." -John MacKenzie, St. Johnsbury Academy
- "Phenomenal conference. I will sing its praises to get the word out. I'll definitely be back!" -Melanie Guleserian, Randolph School
- "Could have been designed with me in mind. Practical workshops, beloved colleagues, a contemplative pace ... the perfect day at the perfect time." -Chris Blackburn, U-32 High School
- ""Simple lunch!??" Who are you used to serving the Queen? The food was great!" -Kristen Huntington, Concord School

Multiple Registrants? Please copy this form before filling it out!

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Doors open at 8:45 a.m. Keynote Address begins at 9:30 a.m.

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To register, please number 3 sessions in order of preference (Your 3rd choice gives us a rarely needed option if a session is over-subscribed)

Please read and sign this statement: I understand that my registration fee covers the entire day's activities, a simple lunch, and refreshments. I also understand that the registration fee is not refundable. If I am unable to attend the conference, I may give my registration to a friend, who will attend the workshops for which I have registered.  I have indicated, in order of preference, my first 3 choices for workshops.  I have enclosed payment of \$75 (checks payable to VCTELA).  I am enclosing a purchase order and will tell the person responsible for issuing payment that the Dept. of Education address must not appear on the check!  I am a retired teacher or a full-time student preparing to be a teacher, so I enclose just \$45.
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(Please Print) Name:
Address for confirmation of registration (this will be mailed May 2):
Phone: If you teach, name of school:
Grade(s) and Subject(s):
Your preference for lunch (please check one): Vegetarian; Non-vegetarian
Mail completed registration form and \$75 (checks payable to VCTELA) to: Rose Wheeler, VT Department
of Education, 120 State St., Montpelier, VT 05620 <u>Dept. of Education address must not appear on the check!</u> Confirmation & a map to Vermont College will be mailed May 2.